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*Surplus property currently on auction block could be used for community resource and
affordable housing unit*

EAST HOLLYWOOD - The City of Los Angeles is seeking qualified organizations to submit qualifications and proposals to restore a dilapidated, decades-old craftsman-style house and turn it into a childcare facility that includes an affordable housing unit.

The property, located at 1816 N Wilton Place and built in 1911, was previously slated for auction. Instead of the property going to the highest bidder with the possibility of demolition, Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell wants to preserve the structure, while providing onsite childcare services for the community along with one unit of affordable housing.

"We need to come up with creative solutions to help us build healthy, sustainable communities, while preserving the unique character in our neighborhoods," said O'Farrell. "I'm excited about the possibilities here, and I am putting this call out to our local networks for qualified applicants to get in touch with the City regarding this space."

The idea to remove this property from the auction block came from O'Farrell who has been researching ways to use an in-lieu fee from the construction of a nearby Target store.

After extensive public review, Target agreed to pay \$1.2 million for child care facilities as part of the project approved at the corner of Western Avenue and Sunset Boulevard. The funding was approved by the Board of Recreation and Parks Commission, and the City's Arts, Parks, and Los Angeles River Committee, and today by the full City Council.

The City's Housing and Community Investment Department issued the Request for Qualifications/Proposals this week. The RFQ/P is available for download on the Los Angeles Business Assistance Virtual Network (www.labavn.org). In order to download the RFQ/P, the person/organization needs to register on LABAVN first. The LABAVN ID number is 29728. All questions need to be emailed to hcidla.cratransition@lacity.org.

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